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Subject: MS settlement - break-up is necessary!

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

Given the Microsoft's history of ignoring anti-trust settlements with the government, I see no reason to believe that they will behave any better now.

A monopoly will never change it's behavior as long as it is a monopoly. No agreements, no oversight, no committees - nothing will change that.

In my opinion, the only way to contain Microsoft's monopolistic anti-competitive behavior is to split the company.

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